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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

In re: Vitamins Antitrust Litigation

Misc. No. 99-197 (TFH)

This document relates to:

MDL No. 1285

McShares, Inc. v.

F. Hoffmann-La Roche, Ltd., et al.,

No. 00 2098 CM (D. Kan.)

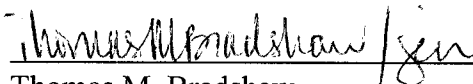
**STIPULATION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO RESPOND TO COMPLAINT**

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the undersigned, that the time in which defendants Hoffmann-La Roche Inc., Roche Vitamins Inc., BASF Corporation, Rhone-Poulenc Ag Company, Rhone-Poulenc Animal Nutrition, Inc., Takeda Vitamin & Food U.S.A. Inc., Takeda U.S.A., Inc., and Lonza, Inc. (the "Defendants") shall have to answer, move against, or otherwise respond to the complaint in the above-captioned matter shall be extended to and including May 30, 2000. All defenses, including the defenses of lack of personal jurisdiction and insufficient service of process, are preserved. This stipulation also applies to all properly served defendants.

Dated: May 2, 2000

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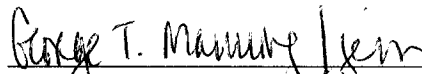
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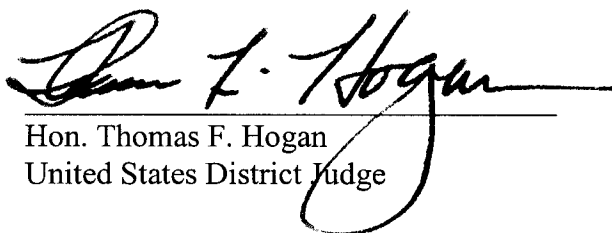
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SO ORDERED this  day of May, 2000

  
Hon. Thomas F. Hogan  
United States District Judge